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Devon,	Sir *John Leer*, Bar.
Eſſex,	Sir *Martin Lumley.*

Moſcow, November 21. *N. S.* Great Preparations are making in this City for the publick Entrance of his Czariſh Majeſty. Triumphal Arches are to be erected, and fifty Pieces of Braſs Cannon are ordered to be newly Caſt on that Occaſion. Great Quantities of Cloth have been bought up in Archangel for the Regiments that are to aſſiſt at the Proceſſion; and moſt of the Governors and Nobility, as alſo three Perſons of the greateſt Diſtinction in every Town, are ſummoned hither, in order to add to the Magnificence of this Solemnity. The foreign Merchants, who uſed to pay the Cuſtoms here in Specie, are directed to give Bills for one half, either in Holland or Hamburgh; and it is ſaid the Product of the Corn ſhipped off on Prince Menzikoff's Account is to be diſpoſed in the ſame manner. Our laſt Advices from Felt-Marſhal Scheremetoff's Camp ſay, that the Army under his Command was advanced before Riga, in order to attack that Place; but it is believed they will deſiſt from further Hoſtilities againſt the Town, 'till the Spring advances, and only deſign to ſtreighten and incommode it, by ſettling their Winter-Quarters in the Neighbourhood; but the Swedes having deſtroyed or carried away all the Proviſions in the adjacent Country, the Muſcovites meet with great Difficulties to find Neceſſaries for the Subſiſtence of their Troops. His Czariſh Majeſty is ſpeedily expected here by the way of Peterburg: And Admiral Apraxin is gone to that City. There are great Bodies of Troops between Nerva and Revel, where they ſtay to receive further Orders from Felt-Marſhal Scheremetoff.

Leuwarde, January 4. *N. S.* Our Regency being adviſed that the Princeſs of Naſſau, the Conſort of our Prince the Hereditary Governor of Friſeland, was on her Journey towards this Place from Caſſel, they immediately gave Orders for the Reception of that Princeſs with all poſſible Marks of Honour and Reſpect; for which end they ſent a Deputation conſiſting of four Magiſtrates of the Court of Juſtice, the Secretary, and four Members of the States of the Province, and three of the Court of the Accounts, to preſent her Highneſs with the Compliment of this Province, on her happy Arrival into this Country. The Princeſs received the Compliments of this Deputation on the 30th of the laſt Month at Oranje-Wood. On the firſt Inſtant their Highneſſes came to Bergen, where they had a very ſplendid Entertainment at the Expence of this Province; and all things being in a readineſs for their magnificent Entrance into this City the Day enſuing, they were met half way by a ſolemn Deputation from hence, and were conducted hither in the following manner; An Herald with eighteen Trumpets led the Way, who were followed by a Company of one hundred Officers very well Mounted, and commanded by a Brigadier; next to theſe the Deputies of the Province in their ſeveral Coaches, attended by above forty others of the Nobility. Theſe were followed by their Highneſſes own Family and Equipages; after whom appeared their Highneſſes in a magnificent Chariot, ſurrounded by Soldiers armed with Halberts, and followed by the Troops of the Life-Guard. The Siſters of the Prince, accompanied with ſeveral Ladies of the Court in rich Chariots, cloſed the Proceſſion. The Day was concluded with ſplendid Illuminations and artificial Fire-works. The ſeveral incorporated Societies of this City have Congratulated her Highneſs on her happy Arrival, and the People have given the greateſt Inſtances of their Eſteem and Satisfaction, omitting no Honours that might expreſs their Affection towards the Princeſs.

Bantry, December 20. *O. S.* On the 10th Inſtant a French Privateer, called the Mary Magdalen, carrying twenty four Guns, and two hundred Men, was forced into Beer-haven Harbour by Diſtreſs; ſhe had ſprung a Leak at Sea four Days before, which obliged the Men to throw the Guns over Board to lighten the Veſſel; as ſoon as ſhe came into the Harbour ſhe ſtruck on a Rock near a little Iſland called Denees, adjacent to Caſtle-Dermody. The Privateer was half ſunk by this Accident; but the Men having got on Shoar, encamped themſelves on the ſaid Iſland, having made Tents of their Sails, and demanded the following Terms on their Surrender. 1ſt, That the Captain and Officers ſhould be conveyed on Horſeback to Kinſale, with their Swords and Piſtols, and have the Privilege to wear their Swords as long as they ſhould continue in the Kingdom. 2dly, That all the Crew be ſafely conducted to Kinſale, and not be ſtripped or plundered. 3dly, That the Captain and all the Officers might have Liberty to go to any Part of the Kingdom, in order to a Paſſage into France, upon the Surrender of their Arms, and thoſe of the Ship's Crew: And upon Refuſal of theſe Demands, they pretended to march towards Cork, and ruin the Country. The French had alſo taken a large Fiſhing Boat, and ſent her away with twenty or thirty Men, to look into the Neighbouring Harbours, in hopes of ſurprizing ſome Ship that might Victual them, and carry them into France; but Intelligence of theſe Occurrences being tranſmitted hither, Capt. Parker, an Officer of the Militia, aſſembled a conſiderable Body of Men, and joined Lieutenant Tooker, of Brigadier Rook's Regiment, who, with ſome Regular Force embarked on ſeveral Boats in this Harbour, with a deſign to ſail to that Iſland and reduce the Enemy; in the mean time Expreſſes were immediately diſpatched to the Surveyor, Coll &c. and other proper Officers of the Ports of Baltimore and Crook-haven, to prevent any Surprize from the Men in the Fiſhing-Boat. Lieutenant Tooker ſet ſail on the fifteenth Inſtant, with the Forces under his Command, but was driven back in a few hours by contrary Winds. Yeſterday Morning they put off again in the ſame Boats, with a Deſign, if they could not compaſs their Paſſage, to have marched towards the Enemy by Land. As ſoon as the French Officers ſaw our Men, they immediately ſurrendred themſelves Priſoners, and this Day they are to be conducted to Kinſale by Lieutenant Tooker.

Kinſale, December 27. The whole Ship's Crew of the Mary Magdalen, a French Privateer which lately ran aſhoar in Bantry Bay, are brought Priſoners to this Place.

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